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Honorable Sam Nunn, Acting Chairman Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations Committee on Government Operations United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Reference is made to your letter of 2 August 1976 concerning the examination by your Subcommittee of various Federal narcotics efforts.

It is my understanding that our respective staffs have been in contact on this matter prior to and subsequent to your 2 August letter and that arrangements are proceeding smoothly. For my part, let me assure you of my desire to be as helpful to the Subcommittee as possible and express our appreciation for the willingness expressed through your staff for proceeding in a manner consistent with my responsibilities to protect intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

We are pleased to cooperate with your Subcommittee on this important matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush Director

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 2, 1976

Honorable George Bush Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations is examining Federal narcotics efforts, with particular emphasis on the Drug Enforcement Administration.

It would be most beneficial to our efforts, and a valuable contribution to our hearing record, to have a statement from you on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency addressed to your interpretation of the CIA's narcotics intelligence gathering functions under Executive Order 11905, released February 18, 1976. We are interested in how the CIA collects foreign narcotics intelligence, and how and by whom that intelligence is evaluated and disseminated to other agencies, such as Customs, the State Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration. Additionally, we are interested in any overlaps that exist between your narcotics intelligence gathering activities and those of DEA, as well as any problems which may be a result of any such overlaps.

We are tentatively scheduling our next set of hearings for the week of August 23. We would like to have you available for an appearance during that week, if convenient. In any event, we would like your statement for inclusion in the record and for dissemination at that time. We will notify you of a specific date of your appearance as soon as possible.

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Keith Adkinson, Assistant Counsel to the Subcommittee, met with a group of CIA officials at the request of of your staff, regarding the details of this request. If it is agreeable with you, you may have your staff deal directly with Mr. Adkinson in the preparation of the statement. He may be reached at 224-3721.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

Acting Chairman

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